

REMARKS

The Examiner has rejected claims 1 - 5, 7 - 12, and 14 - 26 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by WOLF et al. The Examiner has rejected claims 6 and 13 under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being unpatentable over WOLF et al. in view of LEVIN et al. Applicant respectfully traverses.

Independent claims 1, 14, and 17 define preprogrammed designer tool kit modules (DTKs). Functionality now claimed includes voice forms, zip code locator and/or call libraries. Independent claims 7, 16, and 20 now define the feature specific node types as including complex functionality, such as voice forms functionality, call library functionality, and/or zip code locator functionality. Pages 18 - 21 of the specification provide exemplary descriptions of the claimed functionalities. It is submitted that none of these functionalities are taught or suggested by the applied references

Thus, for at least these reasons, it is requested that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of independent claims 1, 7, 14, 16, 17, and 20 and provide an indication of their allowability.

Claim 1 further requires the DTKs to each have a database separate from the main dynamic interactive voice system database. Such a feature is explained in paragraph 40 of the specification. It is submitted that the separate database feature is not taught nor suggested by the applied references.

Thus, for at least this additional reason, it is requested that the Examiner withdraw the rejections of independent claim 1 and provide an indication of its allowability.

Dependent claims 2 - 6, 8 - 13, 15, 18, 19, and 21 - 26 are also believed to recite further patentable subject matter of the invention and therefore are also believed allowable over the prior art. As such, allowance of the dependent claims is deemed proper for at least the same reasons noted for the independent claims, in addition to reasons related to their own recitations. Accordingly, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the outstanding

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rejections and an indication of the allowability of all of the claims in the present application.

The above amendments have been presented merely for the purpose of clarification, and not to overcome the applied prior art. Accordingly, no estoppel is deemed to result from any of the present amendments.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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